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Inventors:

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 to respond to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2002, such extension allowing the undersigned until June 24, 2003 to respond (six months from the date of the final Office Action).

A fee authorization is enclosed authorizing \$930.00 for a three-month extension of time fee. If the fee authorization is missing or insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge 06/27/2003 AMONDAF1 00000041 501505 09841000 930.00 DA 02 FC:1253

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the fees that are required, or credit any overpayment, to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505\5659-02400\EBM.

Respectfully submitted,

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